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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

33 September 6, 2011

Sachi A. Hamai
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**TERMINATE A CONTRACT FOR CONVENIENCE
BRIDGE WIDENING AND WALKWAY CONSTRUCTION
ALOSTA AVENUE OVER LITTLE DALTON WASH
CITY OF AZUSA
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to terminate a contract for convenience on Alostia Avenue over Little Dalton Wash for the widening of the bridge and construction of walkways in the City of Azusa.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Terminate the contract for convenience with LSC Construction for RDC0015291 – Alostia Avenue over Little Dalton Wash and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to pay LSC Construction \$7,725.21 for incurred expenses.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain approval from your Board to terminate a contract for convenience in accordance with the provisions of the contract specifications.

On November 16, 2010, Agenda Item 22, your Board advertised and gave authority to the Director of Public Works (Director) or her designee to award and execute a contract with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid and approved the Faithful Performance and Labor and Materials Bonds and insurance submitted by the contractor. On February 1, 2011, the

Department of Public Works (Public Works) awarded a contract to LSC Construction (LSC) to widen the bridge and construct walkways on Alostia Avenue over Little Dalton Wash in the City of Azusa.

Public Works has identified improvements to the plans that it wishes to incorporate into the project to clarify the construction of the backwall and precast slab on the abutment seat. Additionally, despite repeated requests, LSC failed to timely provide all of the required contract documents. We believe terminating the contract to incorporate the identified improvements is in the best interest of the County of Los Angeles (County). At a future date, we will request your Board's approval to readvertise the revised project plans.

LSC has agreed to \$7,725.21 in compensation for its expenses incurred for obtaining the necessary insurance coverage and bonds.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). The recommended action will allow Public Works to readvertise the project at a later date in order to provide improved roadway facilities, which will benefit the community.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The costs for terminating the project and readvertising at a later date will be minimal. The contractor has incurred expenses in the amount of \$7,725.21 in obtaining the necessary insurance coverage and bonds.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The contract documents provide for the termination for convenience of the contract by your Board if such action is in the best interest of the County.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

On November 16, 2010, Agenda Item 22, your Board found this project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

When this project is readvertised, it will be contracted on an open-competitive bid basis and awarded to the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid meeting the criteria established by your Board and the State Public Contract Code.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Terminating the project will not affect Public Works' ability to maintain and ensure adequate roadway

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facilities for the traveling public.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Farber".

GAIL FARBER

Director

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c: Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)
County Counsel
Department of Human Resources
Executive Office